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TAGS: OCAM, XA, PFOR

SUBJECT: OCAM CONFERENCE

REF: BANGUI 0917

1. NIGER IS REPRESENTED AT BOTH MINISTERIAL AND SUMMIT OCAM
CONFERENCES BY FOREIGN MINISTER DJERMAKOYE. CONFERENCE
PROCEEDINGS TO DATE HAVE BEEN COVERED IN SOME DETAIL BY
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LOCAL PRESS WHICH IS QUESTIONING WHETHER OCAM HAS POLITICAL
ROLE TO PLAY IN FUTURE AND IS SUGGESTING THAT ORGANIZATION

CONCENTRATE ON ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL MATTERS.

2. IN MEETING WITH PRESIDENT KOUNTCHE ON AUGUST 12
HE TOLD ME THAT HE HAD NO INTENTION OF PARTICIPATING IN
SUMMIT CONFERENCE. IN ENSUING DISCUSSION, HE CLEARLY
DISPLAYED LACK OF ENTHUSIASM FOR OCAM. HE SAID OCAM WAS
A MIXED BAG OF RADICALS AND MODERATES AND HAD OUTLIVED ITS
USEFULNESS. OAU HAD LARGELY TAKEN OVER ITS POLITICAL
PURPOSES AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS SUCH AS CEAO AND
ENTENTE COUNCIL WERE IN EQUALLY GOOD POSITION TO PERFORM
WHATEVER ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL COOPERATION WAS CALLED FOR
BY MEMBER STATES BROUGHT TOGETHER BY GEOGRAPHIC OR
LINGUISTIC RELATIONSHIPS. HE COMPARED OCAM TO DROWNING
MAN WHOM HE WAS PREPARED TO HELP RESCUE IF OTHERS
ALSO INTERESTED, BUT HE CLEARLY LACKED ENTHUSIASM FOR EXERCISE.HECK

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